

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace paragraphs [0003] – [0007], with the following amended paragraphs.

[0003] This application also relates to concurrently filed, co-pending application Ser. No. \_\_\_\_\_ 10/023,633 [Docket No: RNI-001], by Gupta et. al, entitled "Network Node with Multi-Medium Interfaces", owned by the assignee of this application and incorporated herein by reference.

[0004] This application also relates to concurrently filed, co-pending application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ 10/023,963 [Docket No: RNI-002], by Kumar et. al, entitled "Hybrid Network to Carry Synchronous and Asynchronous Traffic over Symmetric and Asymmetric Links", owned by the assignee of this application and incorporated herein by reference.

[0005] This application also relates to concurrently filed, co-pending application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ 10/023,623 [Docket No: RNI-004], by Shah et. al, entitled "Adaptive Link Quality Management for Wireless Medium", owned by the assignee of this application and incorporated herein by reference.

[0006] This application also relates to concurrently filed, co-pending application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ 10/023,972 [Docket No: RNI-005], by Shah et. al, entitled "Integration of Network, Data Link, and Physical Layer to Adapt Network Traffic", owned by the assignee of this application and incorporated herein by reference.

[0007] This application also relates to concurrently filed, co-pending application Ser. No. \_\_\_\_\_ 10/023,958 [Docket No: RNI-006], by Kumar et. al, entitled "Method of Generating, Transmitting, Receiving and Recovering Synchronous Frames with Non-standard Speeds", owned by the assignee of this application and incorporated herein by reference.